



MAIL STOP PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 25618

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eran DVIR

Serial No. 10/630,973

Filed: July 31, 2003

For: **BUFFER SYSTEM FOR A WAFER HANDLING SYSTEM**

(This application is a Continuation of U.S. Patent  
Application 09/822,505 which is a CIP of U.S. Patent  
Application 09/248,070, now U.S. Patent 6,212,961)

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and  
Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Request for Correction of Information Disclosure  
Statement submitted July 31, 2003;
- (3) Corrected Information Disclosure Statement;
- (4) Copy of Information Disclosure Statement with correction  
marked in red;
- (5) Copy of stamped filing receipt dated July 31, 2003,

Respectfully submitted,

NATH & ASSOCIATES PLLC

By:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gary M. Nath  
Registration No. 26,965  
Marvin C. Berkowitz  
Registration No. 47,421  
Customer No. 20529

Date: September 22, 2003  
NATH & ASSOCIATES PLLC  
1030 15<sup>th</sup> Street, NW - 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
GMN/MCB/dd:U:II:IDScorr\_trans



MAIL STOP PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 25618

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eran DVIR

Serial No. 10/630,973

Filed: July 31, 2003

For: **BUFFER SYSTEM FOR A WAFER HANDLING SYSTEM**

(This application is a Continuation of U.S. Patent Application  
09/822,505 which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application 09/248,070,  
now U.S. Patent 6,212,961)

**REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SUBMITTED**  
**JULY 31, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examining on the merits the Information Disclosure  
Statment submitted July 31, 2003, applicant respectfully requests that  
a correction be made on page 2, item g of the statement as follows:

[ X ] g. Copies of the documents are attached herewith with a  
completed Form PTO-1449 for references not cited in prior  
applications.

AND

[ X ] Copies of the documents are not attached as allowed under  
CFR 1.98(d)(1)(2). The earlier application is identified  
as:

**09/248,070 filed Feb. 11, 1999, now patent ~~6,212,505~~ 6,212,961**



MAIL STOP PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 25618

REMARKS

The above correction has been made to correct a typographical error in the Information Disclosure Statement. No new matter has been added. A copy of the original statement with the correction marked in red is attached as well as the stamped filing receipt indicating the IDS was filed July 31, 2003.

A clean copy of the Corrected Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith to be used with the Form PTO-1449 and references submitted on July 31, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

NATH & ASSOCIATES PLLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Gary M. Nath  
Registration No. 26,965  
Marvin C. Berkowitz  
Registration No. 47,421  
Customer no. 20529

Date: September 22, 2003  
NATH & ASSOCIATES  
1030<sup>th</sup> Street, NW - 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
GMN/MCB/dd:U:II:IDScorr.sub



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

Eran DVIR

Serial No. 10/630,973

Filed: July 31, 2003

For: **BUFFER SYSTEM FOR A WAFER HANDLING SYSTEM**

(This application is a Continuation of U.S. Patent Application  
09/822,505 which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application  
09/248,070, now U.S. Patent 6,212,961)

CORRECTED INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith pursuant  
to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98. Please note the following particulars:

[NOTE: One only of items a, b, c, and d must be checked.]

- ☒ a. The enclosed statement is being filed within three months of  
the filing date of a national application, or within three  
months of the date of entry into the national stage as set  
forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 in an international application, or  
before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the  
merits, whichever event occurs last.
- ☐ b. The enclosed statement is being filed after a first action on  
the merits but before the mailing date of a final action under  
37 C.F.R. §1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R.  
§1.311.

The enclosed statement is accompanied by [check one]:

- ☐ i. a certification in part (e) below as specified in 37  
C.F.R. §1.97(e), or
- ☐ ii. a check in the amount required by 37 C.F.R.  
§1.17(p).
- ☐ c. The enclosed statement is being filed after the mailing date  
of a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, or a notice of  
allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, but before payment of the  
issue fee.  
☐ Certification report(e) below; and  
☐ a check in the amount as required by §1.17(p).
- ☐ d. The enclosed statement is being filed pursuant to  
37 C.F.R. §1.97(i), for placement in the file.
- ☐ e. Certification [Check one] [Certification is required only if  
box (b)(i) or box (c) is checked.]

[ ] I hereby certify that each item of information contained in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement,

or

[ ] I hereby certify that no item of information in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, or, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

or

[ ] Appropriate certification is attached.

[ X ] f. If no check is enclosed and a fee is due in connection with this communication or if the check enclosed is insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection with this communication to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

[ X ] g. Copies of the documents are attached herewith with a completed Form PTO-1449 for references not cited in prior applications.

AND

[ X ] Copies of the documents are not attached as allowed under CFR 1.98(d)(1)(2). The earlier application is identified as:

**09/248,070 filed Feb. 11, 1999, now patent 6,212,961**

The Examiner is respectfully requested to cite the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 in the next Office Action. In so doing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing of each document on the Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicants, to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,  
NATH & ASSOCIATES PPLC

By: 

Gary M. Nath  
Registration No. 26,965  
Marvin C. Berkowitz  
Registration No. 47,421  
Customer No. 20529

Date: September 22, 2003  
NATH & ASSOCIATES  
1030 15<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
Tel. (202) 775-8383  
Fax. (202) 775-8396



**FILING RECEIPT**

Attorney Docket Number 25618

Date: July 31, 2003

Attorney: GMN/MCB

Inventor: Eran DVIR

Serial No. not yet assigned

Filed: July 31, 2003

For: **BUFFER SYSTEM FOR A WAFER HANDLING SYSTEM**

(This application is a Continuation of U.S. Patent Application 09/822,505 which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application 09/248,070, now U.S. Patent 6,212,961)

DOCUMENTS BEING FILED:

**THE PTO STAMP HEREON ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF:**

Continuation Patent Application consisting of:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Filing Form For Continuation U.S. Patent Application;
- (3) 41 page Continuation Application including:
  - 21 Pages of Textual Specification,
  - 3 Pages of 15 Claims,
  - 1 Page of the Abstract,
  - 16 sheets of drawings;
- (4) ~~Unexecuted Inventor's Declaration/Power of Attorney;~~
- (5) ~~Information Disclosure Statment with 2 references;~~
- (6) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

**NATH & ASSOCIATES**

1030 15<sup>th</sup> Street N.W.,  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor

Washington, D.C. 20005

Tel: (202) 775-8383

Fax: (202) 775-8396

**FILE CHECK**

Prepared by: dd

Approved by: 1-UB

Copy reviewed: dd

Filed by: [Signature]

